The future of PPCR/PPDR

PPCR/PPDR will be changing in two important ways in the near future:

- 1. <u>NEMSIS</u> Virginia is committed to the NEMSIS (National EMS Information system) project. Along with 48 other states and 4 territories, this project is to develop a nation data base of prehospital data. Think of it, if every state collected the same data, defined the same way, you could compare your agency or region to those around the country that fit your specific characteristics. This will facilitate improved quality improvement programs, encourage research efforts, and help prioritize limited funds for appropriate equipment, and education. More information about NEMSIS is available at www.nemsis.org. Greg Mears from NEMSIS will be a speaker at the 2005 EMS Symposium
- 2. Web based PPCR/PPDR Yes, web based entry is coming! We are currently considering different avenues to achieve this function. Web based data entry will help decrease the time barrier from patient runs to data accessibility and streamline data entry time for the provider once new system training is mastered. The Data Systems Development and Systems Improvement Committee will help us evaluate our options